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DIVISION OF
OIL, GAS AND MINING

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STATE OF UTAH

County of Box Elder, }

**BEFORE THE DIVISION OF
OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL
RESOURCES STATE OF UTAH**

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IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE
DECISION TO APPROVE THE
MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN
FOR STAR STONE QUARRIES,
INC.'S ROSEBUD QUARRY, BOX
ELDER COUNTY, UTAH

**NOTICE OF TENTATIVE
DECISION TO APPROVE
NO. M/0003/026**

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THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL
OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRO-
DUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY
OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL
PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION
14, TOWNSHIP 10 NORTH, RANGE
16 WEST, SLBM, BOX ELDER
COUNTY, UTAH.

Notice is hereby given by the
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of
its tentative decision to approve Star
Stone Quarries, Inc.'s Mining and
Reclamation Plan for the Rosebud
Quarry. Mining activities will affect
the following area: SW1/4 NW1/4 and
the SE1/4 SW1/4 of Section 14,
Township 10 North, Range 16 West,
SLBM, Box Elder County, Utah.

Star Stone Quarries, Inc. has sub-
mitted a permit application to expand
their existing small mining operation
to a large mining status. The operator
will employ the following mining
and reclamation techniques on ap-
proximately 9.5 acres of federal land.

During Operations:

Salvageable soil over quarry and
waste dump areas will be scraped from
the surface using a D8 dozer or exca-
vator bucket and piled up prior to
mining. A hydraulic excavator is used
to extract the stone from the quarry
and distributed to workers on the
quarry dump and pad to process. Stone
is split by hand to uniform size and
stacked on pallets for shipping.
Unusable material is placed on the
waste dumps. Quarry cuts will be ap-
proximately ten feet deep. Equipment
used includes a D-8 bulldozer, hy-
draulic excavator, two-yard front end
loader, and two dump trucks. A 500
gallon fuel tank is located on site
within a secondary containment struc-
ture.

After Operations:

Excluding 0.2 acres of pre-exist-
ing access road, all disturbed areas

CHARLES CLAYBAUGH

being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he/she is the

PUBLISHER

..... of the

BOX ELDER NEWS JOURNAL, a weekly newspaper published in

Brigham City, Box Elder County, State of Utah, and that

the notice... Notice of Tentative Approval.....

M/0003/026

of which a copy is hereto attached, was first published in

said newspaper, in its issue dated the 12th.... day of

July..... A. D. 2000..... and was published in the

Wednesday issue of said newspaper forOne.....

consecutive weeks, the last publication thereof being in the

issue dated the 12th day of ... July.....

A. D. 2000...

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day

July 12,

of A.D. 2000...

Notary Public.

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will be reclaimed. Excess (waste rock materials will be used to backfill quarry pit areas so that they are free-draining. The area will be regraded to approximately original contours (slopes of 3 horizontal to 1 vertical).

Quarry and waste rock dump areas will be covered with 18 inches of fines (amended with compost to support vegetation). Salvaged soil will be placed over the fines prior to seeding. All areas will be seeded by broadcasting an approved seed mix designed to meet the intended post mining land use of grazing and wildlife habitat.

The person representing the company is Mr. Lon Thomas; Phone (801) 262-4300. Star Stone Quarries, Inc. is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. §40-8-18.

Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.

DATED this 7th day of July, 2000.

**STATE OF UTAH
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS
AND MINING
Lowell P. Braxton
Director**

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